

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Benjamin J. Canaday)
Filed: Simultaneously Herewith) Examiner:
Serial No:) Group Art Unit:
For: FIREARM BREECH SAFETY LOCK)
Atty. Docket No.: AE136/2002)

Mail Stop New Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are copies of references considered pertinent to the examination of the above-identified application:

GB Patent No. 2158924 by Clark for the "SNAP CAP" published on November 20, 1985;

FR Patent Publication No. 2635581 published on February 23, 1990;

International Patent Application No. PCT/AU91/00465 by Benkovic for the "FIREARM LOCK" published on April 16, 1992;

U.S. Patent No. 4,224,753 by Bielman for the "SAFETY DEVICE FOR FIREARMS" issued on September 30, 1980;

U.S. Patent No. 3,022,598 by Wikstrom for the "SAFETY DEVICE FOR A REVOLVER" issued on February 27, 1962;

U.S. Patent No. 4,512,099 by Mathew for the "GUN LOCKING DEVICE" issued on April 23, 1985;

U.S. Patent No. 4,783,924 by Thurber for the "HANDGUN SAFETY DEVICE" issued on November 15, 1988;

U.S. Patent No. 5,042,185 by Justice, Sr. for the "SEMI-AUTOMATIC PISTOL SAFETY LOCK APPARATUS" issued on August 27, 1991;

U.S. Patent No. 5,048,211 by Hepp for the "SAFETY LOCK FOR FIREARMS" issued on September 17, 1991;

U.S. Patent No. 5,289,653 by Szebeni et al. for the “FIREARM LOCKING DEVICE” issued on March 1, 1994;

U.S. Patent No. 5,357,704 by Benkovic for the “FIREARM LOCK” issued on October 25, 1994;

U.S. Patent No. 5,475,994 by Briley, Jr. et al. for the “HIGH SECURITY GUN LOCK DEVICE” issued on December 19, 1995;

U.S. Patent No. 5,491,918 by Elmstedt for the “FIREARM SAFETY AND SECURITY DEVICE” issued on February 20, 1996;

U.S. Patent No. 5,918,403 by Lurz, Jr. et al. for the “GUN SAFETY DEVICE” issued on July 6, 1999;

U.S. Patent No. 6,311,422 by Exum et al. for the “GUN LOCK” issued on November 6, 2001;

U.S. Patent No. 6,405,470 by Strahan for the “FIREARM SAFETY LOCK” issued on June 18, 2002;

U.S. Patent No. 6,405,472 by Dojcsak for the “GUN LOCK SAFETY DEVICE” issued on June 18, 2002;

U.S. Patent No. 6,408,556 by Achee et al. for the “BREECH BLOCK FIREARM SAFETY DEVICE” issued on June 25, 2002;

U.S. Patent No. 6,418,654 by Trois et al. for the “HANDGUN SAFETY DEVICE” issued on July 16, 2002;

U.S. Patent No. 6,526,684 by Hickerson for the “FIREARM SAFETY DEVICE” issued on March 4, 2003;

U.S. Patent No. 6,530,168 by Shimi et al. for the “SAFETY MECHANISM FOR A HANDGUN” issued on March 11, 2003;

U.S. Patent No. 6,578,308 by Hickerson for the “FIREARM SAFETY DEVICE” issued on June 17, 2003;

U.S. Patent No. 5,664,358 by Haber et al. for the “BARREL LOCK FOR A HAND GUN” issued on September 9, 1997;

U.S. Patent No. 5,048,211 by Hepp for the “SAFETY LOCK FOR FIREARMS” issued on September 17, 1991;

U.S. Patent No. 5,179,234 by Cvetanovich for the “FIRING CHAMBER SAFETY PLUG FOR REVOLVERS” issued on January 12, 1993;

U.S. Patent No. 5,699,687 by Pittman for the “FIREARM SECURITY DEVICE” issued on December 23, 1997;

U.S. Patent No. 5,315,778 by Wolford for the “FIREARM CHAMBER PLUG” issued on May 31, 1994;

U.S. Patent No. 5,860,241 by Waters for the “ELECTRONIC GUN LOCK” issued on January 19, 1999;

U.S. Patent No. 6,560,910 by McLaren for the “GUN LOCK” issued on May 13, 2003;

U.S. Patent No. 5,950,344 by Ross for the “QUICK-RELEASE GUN LOCK” issued on September 14, 1999;

U.S. Patent Publication No. 2001/0034961 A1 by Hickerson for the “FIREARM SAFETY DEVICE” published on November 1, 2001;

U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0059746 A1 by Ross et al. for the “QUICK-RELEASE GUN LOCK” published on May 23, 2002;

U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0121039 A1 by Kellerman for the “FIREARM BARREL LOCK” published on September 5, 2002;

U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0189148 A1 by Hanson for the “CHAMBER BLOCK FOR A HANDGUN OR OTHER WEAPON” published on December 19, 2002;

U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0115785 A1 by Milo for the “GUN BARREL SAFETY LOCK WITH HAND RATCHETING WRENCH” published on June 26, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

Date 10/2/03



David W. Carrithers
CARRITHERS LAW OFFICE
One Paragon Centre
6060 Dutchman's Lane, Suite 140
Louisville, KY 40205
Telephone (502) 452-1233
Reg. No. 35,475

LIST OF PRIOR ART CITED BY APPLICANT
(Use several sheets if necessary)

ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NO.

AE136/2002

Ex #	U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS				CLASS*	SUB- CLASS*	FILING DATE IF APPRO.
	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME				
	4 2 2 4 7 5 3	9/30/80	Bielman				
	3 0 2 2 5 9 8	2/27/82	Wikstrom				
	4 5 1 2 0 9 9	4/23/85	Mathew				
	4 7 8 3 9 2 4	11/15/88	Thurber				
	5 0 4 2 1 8 5	8/27/91	Justice, Sr.				
	5 0 4 8 2 1 1	9/17/91	Hepp				
	5 2 8 9 6 5 3	3/1/94	Szebeni et al.				
	5 3 5 7 7 0 4	10/25/94	Benkovic				
	5 4 7 5 9 9 4	12/19/95	Briley, Jr. et al.				
	5 4 9 1 9 1 8	2/20/96	Elmstedt				
	5 9 1 8 4 0 3	7/6/99	Lurz, Jr. et al.				

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

* Supply date if known.

*	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	NAME	CLASS*	SUB- CLASS*	PERTINENT SHTS PP. DWG.	SPEC
	2 1 5 8 9 2 4	11/20/85	UK	Clark				
	2 6 3 5 5 8 1	2/23/90	FR	Schnelder				

* OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

International Patent Application PCT/AU91/00465

by Benkovic for the "Firearm Lock" published
on April 16, 1992

